



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 424

January Session, 2021

Senate Bill No. 923

Senate, April 13, 2021

The Committee on Judiciary reported through SEN. WINFIELD of the 10th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING REVIEW OF ANIMAL CRUELTY LAWS BY THE CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Connecticut Sentencing
2 Commission established pursuant to section 54-300 of the general
3 statutes shall review animal cruelty laws, including those (1) under
4 chapter 945 of the general statutes, (2) under other provisions of the
5 general statutes, and (3) of other states. As part of such review, the
6 commission shall examine penalties for animal cruelty imposed by laws
7 of this state and other states and whether there are national or regional
8 trends concerning changes to such penalties.

9 (b) Not later than January 1, 2023, said commission shall report, in
10 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
11 on the review conducted under subsection (a) of this section and include
12 recommendations for legislation, if any, to the joint standing committee
13 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the
14 judiciary and to the Governor.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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JUD *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill requires the Connecticut Sentencing Commission to review and report on the animal cruelty law of the state and does not result in a fiscal impact as the Sentencing Commission can conduct the work with current resources.

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Municipal Impact: None



OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Judiciary Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 36 Nay 0 (03/29/2021)